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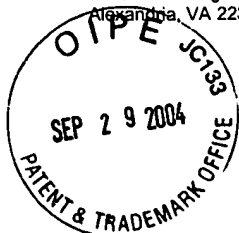
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PATENT

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Atsuo ITO et al.

Application No.: 10/802,429

Filed: March 15, 2004

For: SUSPENSION OR PARTICLE-
SOLVENT MIXTURE SYSTEM
OF ZINC-CONTAINING
CALCIUM PHOSPHATE
MICROPARTICLES AND
THERAPEUTIC AGENT FOR
TREATING ZINC DEFICIENCY
(as amended)

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) Group Art Unit: 1616

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PETITION FOR TWO (2) MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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Respectfully submitted,

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